

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2000

Introduced by Assembly Member Huber

February 23, 2012

An act relating to the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.

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AB 2000, as introduced, Huber. Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta: Delta Plan.

The Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Reform Act of 2009 requires the Delta Stewardship Council to consider the Bay Delta Conservation Plan (BDCP) for inclusion in a specified Delta Plan, and requires the incorporation of the BDCP into the Delta Plan if the BDCP meets certain requirements, as specified.

This bill would state findings and declarations regarding the lack of information about the regulatory and environmental consequences of incorporating the BDCP into the Delta Plan. This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would include elements in the environmental impact report and environmental impact statement for the BDCP and to include certain changes in the BDCP, as specified.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. The Legislature finds and declares that the lack
- 2 of information in the Draft Delta Plan and corresponding Draft
- 3 Programmatic Environmental Impact Report about the regulatory
- 4 and environmental consequences of incorporating the Bay Delta

1 Conservation Plan into the Delta Plan makes it impossible for the
2 Delta Stewardship Council and the public to comprehend the
3 environmental consequences of adoption of the Delta Plan as
4 required under the California Environmental Quality Act (Division
5 13 (commencing with Section 21000) of the Public Resources
6 Code).

7 SEC. 2. It is the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation
8 that would require the inclusion of “nondiversion” alternatives as
9 part of the environmental impact report and environmental impact
10 statement for the Bay Delta Conservation Plan, a cost-benefit
11 analysis for all diversion and nondiversion alternatives, an
12 independent review of the science used in the environmental impact
13 report and environmental impact statement in coordination with
14 the delta counties, and the establishment and inclusion of a
15 statutory governance role with respect to the Bay Delta
16 Conservation Plan for decision makers in the delta counties,
17 including municipalities and other affected agencies.